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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of 02/18/04, for which a response was due 05/18/04, now extended two (2) months to 07/18/04, the Applicants respectfully request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. This Request is accompanied by a check in the amount of \$770 (large entity) to cover the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

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